

Motorist Thanks Highway Patrol For Speed Ticket

The strange case of a man who was glad he got a traffic ticket has convinced the California Highway Patrol there's at least one driver in the state who knows the value of driving at safe speeds.

On a recent holiday jaunt with his family the man was cited by a Highway Patrolman for doing 70.

After getting the ticket, he went on his way but kept his speed below 50. Five miles down the road a front tire blew out. The car swerved wildly but the driver managed to bring it to a safe stop.

He didn't need a picture to show him what would have happened had he still been rolling along at 70.

The payoff came when he wrote to the commander of the Patrol area where he picked up the ticket, asking him to thank the officer who cited him, expressing hope that other motorists would profit from his experience and saying he would "gratefully" pay the penalty.

Commenting on the incident, Patrol Commissioner B. R. Caldwell agreed that the letter writer was fortunate to have been stopped. He said Patrol files are bulging with coroner's reports on hundreds of other motorists who weren't so lucky.

"Drivers who imagine they can depend on luck to keep them out of accidents should remember that luck is usually bad when high speed is a factor," he said.



INVENTOR AT WORK . . . Inventor John Minor of WALTERIA demonstrates how his new sheet-metal working machine is operated. The machine has removable dies which can be placed to form any design wanted by the operator.

Mrs. Coomes, Former Soroptimist Head, Dies

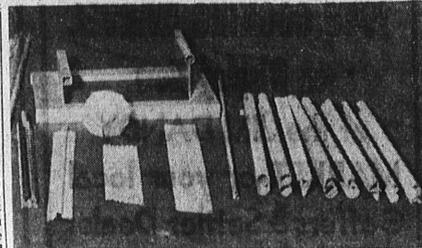
Funeral services were held this week for Mrs. Hazel Coomes, 56, immediate past president of the Harbor District Soroptimist Club, which included members from Torrance until the local chapter was formed. Mrs. Coomes died Saturday in a Long Beach hospital. She had lived in Harbor City for eight years. Besides her work with the Soroptimists, she was active in the San Pedro Business and Professional Women's Club.

and head injuries. Police said their car was involved in a collision with one driven by Norbert H. Okzowy, 18, of Los Angeles.

Accident Victims On Recovery List

Reported on the recovery list and recommended for discharge soon from Harbor General Hospital were two local residents who were injured in a two-car collision at Figueroa and East Rd. Sunday.

Arthur J. Bailey, 29, of 21936 S. Main St., the driver, suffered minor back and hip injuries in the accident, and his passenger, Grace Pelham, 23, of the same address, sustained pelvic



FANCY WORK . . . Some of the designs which Inventor John Minor is able to turn out rapidly on his new brake and roll machine are illustrated here.

Walteria Inventor Markets New Sheet-Metal Working Machine

John M. Minor, a retired sheet metal worker whose home is at 23842 Park, Walteria, has a new machine on the market which promises to make obsolete many brake and roll devices now in use.

Completed after five years of works and experiment, the 40-pound machine is only 14 inches high. Its removable dies can form virtually any shape with a minimum of effort on the part of the operator as he works the 20-inch lever.

An average man can exert a pressure of 10,000 pounds with the 20-inch lever, Minor says.

During his experiments with the machine, Minor has made everything from trailer window hinges to a set of three-dimensional numerals.

The machine can turn out such items as finishing parts for me-

tal furniture, name plates, brackets, and industrial sheet metal tools. The machine is now being built for the retail market.

Rehwoaldt Given Navy Ensign Rank
Bruce D. Rehwoaldt, son of Walter Rehwoaldt, director of instruction for the Torrance Unified School district, recently graduated with the rank of Ensign from the Navy's only Officer Candidate School at Newport, Rhode Island.

His parents live at 1601 El Prado. Young Rehwoaldt's graduating class numbered 837. These new officers will join other OCS graduates already serving on every type of ship in the fleet.

Many will go to specialist schools where they will be trained as pilots, aviation ground officers, beach masters, underwater demolition team officers or "frog men," gunnery liaison officers, who may eventually serve with the Marines in Korea, and some will receive training for Navy Research projects.

In four months of intensive study and training, these men have covered the same Naval subjects that College NROTC students do in four years. Foremost in their study was gunnery, navigation, seamanship, engineering, damage control and operations.

Palos Verdes College to be Featured on Armed Forces Radio Show

Palos Verdes College will travel twice around the world next week, according to John A. Howard, president of the college. Beamed to 80,000,000 listeners around the globe, the unusual story of Palos Verdes College will be told by both the Voice of America and the Armed Forces Radio Service. Last week the Rolling Hills school was selected by the United States Department of State for short-wave description, because of national interest in the college's student faculty association plan, and the travel-study program.

On Friday the campus was visited by Robert Hanes, chief of features, AFRS, and engineer G. F. Knighton. Tape recordings were made of conversations between Hanes and several students and faculty members. Particular attention was given to students from Poland, Czechoslovakia, Guam, and eastern states. They gave interesting reasons for selecting Palos Verdes College for their education, the major reason being the individual and personal instruction which the students of the

college receive, and the enriching travel-study program which takes the students to the people places, and subjects of classroom study. The State Department requested these interviews on the basis of recent articles about the college which appeared in the New York Times, Christian Science Monitor, and many Southland newspapers, including the Torrance Herald.

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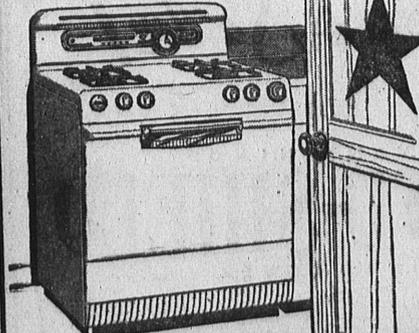
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